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Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee State Capitol, Room 152 9:00 a.m., Thursday, May 19-20

AGENDA TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE

9:00 a.m. **Call to Order - Roll Call**

9:05 a.m. **SJ 33: Renewables and Storage Overview**

1. Introduction and study overview – Mr. Graff
2. Utility Perspectives
 - a. Rocky Mountain Power
 - b. NorthWestern Energy
 - c. Montana Rural Electric Cooperatives
3. Technology
 - a. Form Energy
4. Public Comment
5. Questions from the Committee
6. Instructions to Staff

10:30 a.m. **SJ 33: Advanced Meter Technology Overview**

1. Introduction and study overview – Mr. Graff
2. Chris Villarreal, President Plugged In Strategies
3. NorthWestern Rollout Plan
4. Public Comment
5. Questions from the Committee
6. Instructions to Staff

11:30 a.m. **USB Report -- Statutory Duties**

1. Introduction and Numbers -- Mr. Graff
2. Public Comment
3. Questions from the Committee

4. Instructions to Staff
- 12:00 p.m. **LUNCH**
- 1:00 p.m. **Talen Bankruptcy Remediation Impacts**
1. Debra L. Raggio, Senior Vice President, Regulatory & External Affairs Counsel Talen Energy
 2. DEQ Remediation
 3. Public Comment
 4. Questions from the Committee
- 2:00 p.m. **SJ 33: Energy Efficiency Standards**
1. Introduction and study overview -- Mr. Graff
 2. Diego Rivas, Senior Policy Associate, NW Energy Coalition
 3. Northwest Power and Conservation Council
 4. American Council For an Energy Efficient Economy
 5. Public Comment
 6. Questions from the Committee
- 3:30 p.m. **Call Before You Dig Update**
1. Introduction – Mr. Graff
 2. Tim Lloyd -- Bureau Chief, Building Codes Bureau, DOLI
 3. Public Comment
 4. Questions from the committee
 5. Committee action, if any
- 4:00 p.m. **Public Comment** on matters within the jurisdiction of the ETIC
- 4:15 p.m. **Recess**

Friday, May 20

- 9:00 a.m. **Call to Order**
- 9:05 a.m. **Idaho National Labs Trip Overview**
1. Overview – Trevor Graff
 2. Public Comment
 3. Questions from the committee
 4. Committee action, if any

- 9:15 a.m. **High-Performance Building Program Update (17-7-214, MCA) (Tab 8)**
1. Overview -- Russ Katherman, Department of Administration
 2. Public Comment
 3. Questions from the committee
 4. Direction to staff on continued reporting
 5. Committee action, if any
- 9:45 a.m. **SJ 3: Nuclear Energy Costs and Financing**
1. Introduction and Study Overview – Mr. Graff
 2. Rusty Cannon, President Utah Taxpayer's Association
 3. Dr. Mark Cooper, University of Vermont Law School
 4. Eric Ingersoll, Managing Partner Lucid Catalyst & Co-Founder and Managing Director, TerraPraxis
 5. DOE Funding Programs
 6. Public Comment
 7. Questions from the committee
 8. Committee action, if any
- 11:00 a.m. **Public Service Commission Overview**
1. Introduction – Mr. Graff
 2. Commission Update – James Brown, PSC chairman
 3. Public Comment
 4. Questions from the Committee
 5. Committee action, if any
- 12:00 p.m. **LUNCH**
- 1:05 p.m. **Environmental Quality Council Update -- Mr. Kolman**
- 1:15 p.m. **SJ 33: Future Load Growth Impacts**
1. Introduction and Study Overview – Mr. Graff
 2. Brian Dekiep, Energy Analyst Northwest Power and Conservation Council
 3. NorthWestern Energy
 5. Public Comment
 6. Questions from the committee
 7. Committee action, if any
- 2:45 p.m. **Administrative Rule Review**
1. Introduction -- Mr. Walker
 2. Questions from Committee
 3. Public Comment
 4. Committee action, if any

3:30 p.m. **Public Comment** on matters within the jurisdiction of the ETIC

3:45 p.m. **Other Business/Instructions to Staff**
1. Review of Committee Budget
2. Review of July Meeting Items

4:15 p.m. **Adjourn**

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